

SUNDAY WORSHIP
May 10, 2026
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A

Ringin of Outdoor Bell @ 10:00 AM

Liturgist: Judi Hartshorn
Reader: Carolyn Diaz

Gathering Hymns “Come Now is the Time to Worship” “Hear My Cry, Oh Lord”

Call to Worship

L: Easter people, no matter the bends and curves in our path, Jesus does not leave us alone on this journey of faith.

P: God gives us the Spirit, our Advocate and Helper.

L: The Spirit lives in and among us, pointing us all toward the way, the truth, and the life of Jesus.

P: God gives us the Spirit, our Guide and Guardian.

L: The Spirit draws us into God’s story, showing us how to cooperate in writing God’s dream into reality.

P: God gives us the Spirit, our Dream-Giver and Story-Keeper.

L: Easter people, God’s story abides in you, calling you to live as co-creators of love and abundant life.

All: We come to worship God and listen for the Spirit who inspires, guides, and helps us join in God’s story, until God’s kingdom comes on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

All: Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, Creator of all that is, in you, we live and move and have our being. You have placed us on earth and sustained our being through the produce of the land and the cleanness of the air we breathe. You have made us for each other, to tend and care for the weak and ensure a just sharing of the earth’s resources. But we are proud and hard-hearted people who hoard what the earth provides and seem loathe to share the fruits of our labors, who live for today with little thought for tomorrow, who are afraid to let pain and suffering affect us. Incarnate God, you know us in our inner being. In your grace, you offer us forgiveness even before we have the chance to articulate our sorrow. You embrace us in all our sinfulness And, in doing so, give us the chance to start again to learn from the example you have given us in Jesus, who chose the way of the Cross that all might know the depth of your love for all you have made. Spirit of God, open our hearts and minds that we may grasp your forgiveness, and forgiven, seek to forgive others and to live a life of reconciling love modelled on the example of Jesus Christ, in whose name we make this prayer. Amen.

Liturgist: Passing the Peace: May the peace of Christ be with you

People: And, with you! (Please be brief as you pass the peace of Christ and greet one another.)

Children's Message

Susan Johnson

Liturgist: Prayer before the Offering

Abiding Spirit of Love, you have not left us orphaned. Even in our uncertainty, you draw near, whispering truth, stirring memory, teaching us to live as those who know we are loved. As Jesus offered himself in love and obedience, so we offer these gifts today—not out of obligation, but as signs of our love and trust. Take them, bless them, use them—to remind the world that Christ’s story abides in us. May your Spirit strengthen us to live what we give and give what we believe. In the name of the one who promised never to leave us. Amen.

(John 14:15-21)

Offertory

Song / Music

Joy Asenas

Doxology:

UMH # 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayers, Concerns and Celebrations of the week

Pastor: The Lord’s Prayer

UMH # 895

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the Glory forever. Amen.

Preparation Hymn “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” **UMH# 384**

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Psalm 115:1-11, 18b

New Testament John 14:15-21

Message “The Story Abides”

Rev. Jaime Torres

Hymn of Commitment “Trust and Obey” **UMH # 467**

Prayer for Going Forth Liturgist and People: Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. In Jesus’ name. Amen. (J. Wesley, England, 18th Century).

Announcements: Senior Center Wednesday 11:00 a.m.; Coffee house Fridays 11:30 a.m.; Pastoral Evangelism Thursday’s & visitation as needed.; Food Share May 16th

Blessings for the people (Pastor)

Go now to love and serve God in the blessing of the Spirit who journeys with you as we live the unfolding story of God’s dream for creation here and now. Amen.

Closing song May the God of Peace be with you, holding you in strong fingered hands, and may you be an instrument of God's peace, to those whose hands you hold, and may the blessings of peace, be with you, be with you, be with you. ***Please stand as you are able in body or spirit**

Rev.
Liturgist
Reader
Greeters
Pianist
Children's Sermon
Adult Education Director
Lay Leader
Videographer
Office Admin
Communion Steward

OUR APPRECIATION TO:

Jaime Torres
Judi Hartshorn
Carolyn Diaz
You
Joy Asenas
Susan Johnson
Laura Shaw
Susan Johnson
Eric Nelson
Cristina Mendez
Carolyn Diaz

Upcoming Events

Bible and Book Studies

"Disciple Bible Study"
Will resume in the Fall
Monday's 10:00 – 12:00 Noon
Laura Shaw Facilitating through ZOOM
"The Case for Miracles"
Beginning April 21st
Tuesday's 1:00 – 3:00pm
Laura Shaw Facilitating through ZOOM

Our Mission

Bardsdale United Methodist Church is a loving, caring,
Christ centered church,
growing in relationship with God, ourselves, and all others.

Our Vision

With God's help we will
Foster personal growth,
Promote participation by all ages,
Embrace new ideas, and
Be more visible and engaged in our community.

May Birthdays

14th Dan Michel
20th Joanna Michel
29th Sean Morris

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The Spirit abides in us, preserving and weaving our shared story as the body of Christ. Worship this week celebrates testimony, memory, and the ongoing narrative of God's love in our community,

Bishop – Rev. Dr. *Dottie Escobedo-Frank*

North District DS – Rev. *Garth Gilliam*